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**Amendments to the Claims:** 

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

1. (Previously Presented) A formulation comprising an active

ingredient preserved in glassy or amorphous particles, the particles being suspended in a liquid

in which at least one component comprises a liquid hydrofluorinated ether thereby facilitating

the dispersion of the liquid.

2. (Original) A formulation according to Claim 1 in which the particles

contain a sugar glass or a glass which is a mixture of sugar, metal carboxylate, amino acid or

calcium phosphate or any combination of these.

3. (Previously Presented) A formulation according to Claim 1 in which the

particles have a density which is matched to the density of the liquid sufficiently closely that the

particles will remain in suspension under normal conditions.

4. (Previously Presented) A formulation according to Claim 1 in which the

liquid contains different components specified in claim 1 mixed in proportions to give a required

density.

5. (Previously Presented) A formulation according to Claim 1 in which the

liquid contains a perfluorocarbon mixed with one or more components specified in claim 1.

6. (Previously Presented) A formulation according to Claim 1 in which the

active ingredient is a vaccine.

7. (Previously Presented) A formulation according to Claim 1 in which the

particles are made by spray drying.

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- 8. (Previously Presented) A formulation according to Claim 1 in which the particles are made by freeze drying.
- 9. (Previously Presented) A formulation according to Claim 1 in which the particles are made by grinding.
- 10. (Previously Presented) A method of making a formulation according to Claim 5 including the step of selecting liquids to give the required density matching properties and mixing them with the particles.

## 11. (Canceled.)

12. (Previously Presented) A formulation according to claim 1, in which the hydrofluorinated ether is a hydrofluoroether or hydrofluoropolyether.